

14 January 1974

Mr. William G. Hyland  
National Security Council Staff  
Room 368  
Old Executive Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20506

Dear Bill:

This is likely to be of more interest to you in your next incarnation (congratulations), but you may find it of some interest even now.

This report was prepared here in Danny Graham's IC Staff and was written by me. Note that USIB has "reviewed," and most USIB members have commented on the study, but needless to say not all USIB principals were enthusiastic about some of the conclusions and recommendations.

There is some very interesting INR material quoted in the section called, "A Case of Wisdom Lost," which you may find especially interesting.

It would be good to have another "annual" lunch soon, maybe with Danny joining us.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

(Title is now Assistant Director,  
Product Review Group)

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14 January 1974

Mr. Andrew Marshall  
Director, Net Assessments  
Office of the Secretary of Defense  
Room 3A930  
The Pentagon

Dear Andy:

I think this study--though still preliminary--represents  
a real step forward in the art of producing a post mortem.  
In any case, I know you will find it of considerable interest.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

Daniel P. O. Graham  
Major General, USA  
Deputy to the DCI for the  
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14 January 1974

Major General Brent Scowcroft, USAF  
Deputy Assistant to the President  
for National Security Affairs  
The White House  
Washington, D. C..

Dear General Scowcroft:

This Post Mortem on the performance of the Intelligence Community during the recent crisis in the Middle East was prepared in my staff for the DCI. It addresses questions raised by Dr. Kissinger, Under Secretary Clements, and others. It is being distributed to the NSCIC, to appropriate people in DOD, to PFIAB, and of course USIB.

I think you will find it to be of considerable interest.

Sincerely,

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Major General, USA  
Deputy to the DCI for the  
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15 January 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable Kenneth Rush  
Deputy Secretary of State

SUBJECT: Middle East Post-Mortem Report

1. I am sending to you, as a member of NSCIC, a copy of our Preliminary Post-Mortem Report on the Middle East crisis of last fall (attached). I hope very much that we will be able to elicit comments from you concerning this earnest effort of self-appraisal.

2. For your information, I am also attaching my memorandum to the Chairman, NSCIC, concerning this report.

/s/ Bill  
W. E. Colby

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DCI/IC 74-0509

15 January 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Honorable J. P. Clements  
Deputy Secretary of Defense

SUBJECT: Middle East Post-Mortem Report

1. I am sending to you, as a member of NSCIC, a copy of our Preliminary Post-Mortem Report on the Middle East crisis of last fall (attached). I hope very much that we will be able to elicit comments from you concerning this earnest effort of self-appraisal.

2. For your information, I am also attaching my memorandum to the Chairman, NSCIC, concerning this report.

*Bill*  
J. E. Colby

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DCI/IC 74-0506

15 January 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: Admiral Thomas H. Moorer  
Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

SUBJECT: Middle East Post-Mortem Report

1. I am sending to you, as a member of NSCIC, a copy of our Preliminary Post-Mortem Report on the Middle East crisis of last fall (attached). I hope very much that we will be able to elicit comments from you concerning this earnest effort of self-appraisal.

2. For your information, I am also attaching my memorandum to the Chairman, NSCIC, concerning this report.

/s/ Bill

W. E. Colby

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15 January 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: Admiral George W. Anderson, Jr.  
Chairman, President's Foreign  
Intelligence Advisory Board

SUBJECT: Middle East Post-Mortem Report

1. I have sent a copy of our Preliminary Post-Mortem Report on the Middle East crisis of last fall to the Chairman and members of NSCIC and, knowing of your interest, I am also sending a copy to you (attached). I hope very much that we will be able to elicit comments from you concerning this earnest effort of self-appraisal.

2. For your information, I am also attaching my memorandum to Dr. Kissinger concerning this report.

*151 Bill*  
W. E. Colby

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Major General H. P. Smith, USAF  
Deputy Director for Intelligence  
Defense Intelligence Agency  
Room 1E880, The Pentagon

Dear General Smith:

Copies of this have gone to members of the NSCIC and USIB.  
This copy is FYL.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

Deputy Director, Product  
Review Group/IC Staff

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Dr. Richard A. Geisler  
Assistant Deputy Director for Estimates (DE)  
Defense Intelligence Agency  
Pomponio Plaza

Dear Dr. Geisler:

Copies of this have gone to members of the NSCIC and USIB.  
This copy is FYI.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

Deputy Director, Product  
Review Group/IC Staff

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